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Last year, the steamer Rbelan (captain, Bukayev; engineer, Plekhanov) increased its speed excluding stops 5 kilometers per day with an increased raft load of 47.2 percent over plan. In towing dry loads, the planned speed excluding stops was exceeded by 5.5 kilometers per day with considerably increased loads moving against the current.

The Volga tanker Akademik Gubkin completed its first voyage from Astrakhan' to Gor'kiy 68 hours ahead of schedule. The tanker towed four oil barges on this trip. There was a delay of 5 hours in the Astrakhan' roadstead because of carelessness on the part of shipping workers.

The steamship Gor'ets of the Volga Cargo Line exceeded its planned speed 33 percent and shortened the scheduled time of its run between Vladimirovka and Gor'kiy this spring by 112 hours.

The tug General Vatutin, towing a raft with a load of 24,500 tons, cut 12 hours off its run. The Ruslan completed its first trip this year 64 hours ahead of time. The steamer Verotennikov, operating on the Oka River, cut its trip time 56 hours while carrying more than double its usual load.

The crew of the Diesel freighter Tatarsiya attained a daily average speed of 304 kilometers instead of the specified 242 kilometers for traveling upstream, and a speed of 500 kilometers per day instead of the planned 270 downstream. This speed is equal to the railroad speed between Kazan' and Gor'kiy.

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